

RAILROAD

ALLIES OPEN BIG CAMPAIGN IN THE BALKAN COUNTRY

Italian Troops Begin to Disembark at Saloniki.

ALMOST A MILLION THERE

Official Reports Say Operations are Proceeding Along Entire Front.

(By Associated Press)
PARIS, Aug. 21.—Italian troops began to disembark at Saloniki yesterday, says a Havas dispatch from that point.

On leaving their ships, the dispatch says, the Italians passed through Saloniki to camp, preceded by military bands of the Allies and cheered by the populace.

Active participation by Italian troops in the Saloniki campaign would mean the existence of a state of war between Germany and Italy. Germany is directing operations against the Allies on the front and as the official German report shows, have forces there. Some Austrian troops also probably are employed and possibly Turks but the major portion of the army is made up of Bulgarians.

Recent reports indicated the withdrawal of Austrian troops from the Balkans for use on Russian and Italian fronts. As the entente allies are believed to have a force of some 700,000 British, Serbian and French troops on the Saloniki front the sending of reinforcements at this time just after opening of hostilities on a large scale would indicate that the allies have embarked on a campaign of extensive proportions.

PARIS, Aug. 21.—No further details of the operations on the Saloniki front are given in the report today from the French army of the east, which shows that fighting is still in progress along the whole line. The announcement says: "Operations are proceeding along the entire front."

PARIS, Aug. 21.—The attempted counter-offensive by the Germans and Bulgarian forces on both flanks of the Entente allies' front in Macedonia with the apparent intention of hindering the plans of General Sarrail, the Entente commander will have no effect on the execution of the campaign it is said here.

The fourth Greek army corps which had a division at Serres and Kavala and also at Drama fell back before the Bulgarians who are advancing in Eastern Macedonia. The Bulgarians have Hermaion and have crossed the Nesto (Mesta) river and advanced to Kavala.

These developments are considered of secondary importance and the Allies take a hopeful view of the success of their plan. In fighting at Mogion the Bulgarians according to dispatches received here had 400 killed and 600 wounded and 45 were taken prisoners.

Excursion Business Heavy on Railroads

Fully a thousand took advantage of the Pittsburgh excursion on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad yesterday and made the trip to the city famed for its smoke and Hans Wagner. The train was crowded when it arrived at Fairmont, having got its passengers at Weston, Clarksburg and intermediate points.

Three hundred and eighty-five Fairmonters went to Valley Falls yesterday. Three times that many went to Antioch and many more took in the suburbs as a means of spending a terrific hot Sunday in a cool comfortable manner.

Flood Washed Out Many School Houses

(By Associated Press)
CHARLESTON, W. Va., Aug. 21.—The department of free schools was apprised today that eight school houses were washed away by the flood which visited Cabin creek two weeks ago. A special election will be called at once to lay a special levy to provide about \$15,000 for the construction of new buildings.

Several school houses were destroyed by the flood on Coal river, but a full report of this damage has not been made to the department.

Senate Takes Up Immigration Bill

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—By 27 to 24 the Senate today voted to take up the Immigration bill which the Democratic caucus had determined to postpone until next session. Nine Democrats voted with the Republicans for the motion.

90-Year Old Man Killed on First Ride in an Auto

(By Associated Press)
SALEM, Va., Aug. 21.—A. W. Garner, of Drapersville, was 90 years old before he ventured to take a ride in an automobile and today he is dead.

Yesterday afternoon the car in which he took his first ride plunged over a 60-foot embankment, turned over five times before it struck and killed Garner and injured four others, including his wife.

"50,000 IN FIVE" DEPENDS UPON PEOPLE NOW HERE

Rev. Dr. Mitchell Preaches Sermon Upon New Community Effort.

At the evening service of the Central Christian church yesterday Rev. Dr. Clarence D. Mitchell, the pastor, speaking on the subject of "Some Essentials in Making Fairmont More Than 50,000 in Five Years," took a very optimistic view of this task which the Fairmont Improvement Association has set for itself, but he indicated plainly that success depends upon the people.

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that Fairmont lies in the district upon which Europe must draw largely for the materials used in the reconstruction which will follow the war. It is to the same district, also, that the whole world must turn when the great forward stride which business and building will take everywhere when commerce and industry return to normal. As a transportation center, in climate, health conditions, educational facilities and the other material essentials Fairmont is favored beyond most other cities in the district and it is bound to go ahead of these cities in population and industry—if the people display the proper spirit.

The development of the Ohio city Lima was cited as an example of what may be done when there is the proper community co-operation. This town at the beginning lacked many of the advantages that Fairmont already has, but it had an abundance of ambition, civic pride, a willingness to co-operate and the capacity to show sincere appreciation for good work done. The result of this happy combination, Dr. Mitchell said, is that Lima has become one of the most delightful, as well as one of the most important cities in the Buckeye state.

What has been done in one place, said Dr. Mitchell, can be done in another. It can be done here under favorable conditions, but it cannot be done if the people are grouches; if they are jealous of one another and show a disposition to undermine efforts of others which they do not, for some trifling reason, approve of.

FUNDS COME IN FOR RED CROSS AUTO

Since the decision of the local Anti-Tuberculosis league to provide a Ford for the new Red Cross nurse, Miss Voak, and the announcement Saturday that the popular subscription method would be used to raise the fund, a number of voluntary subscriptions have come in even before the complete plans for the soliciting of the funds had been worked out. The campaign for this "Ford Fund" will be begun tomorrow in earnest and probably Mrs. C. O. Henry and Mrs. T. I. Brett together with another representative of the local league will be present at the Fair Ground in order to assist any one who wishes to be a contributor to the fund and own a share in the Ford.

Following is the list of those who have contributed up until noon today and in each case these were voluntary unsolicited subscriptions:

R. T. Cunningham	10.00
H. L. Hentzelman	10.00
W. J. Wiegel	10.00
D. Chesney M. Ramage	5.00
Dr. C. O. Henry	5.00
Dr. H. R. Johnson	5.00
Robert McCoy, of McCoy Advertising Co.	2.00
Grand Theater, J. T. Miller	2.00

A number of inquiries from other possible contributors were received and the newly organized Red Cross society has also promised to help in the effort to secure the Ford. Tomorrow at the Fair the representatives of the league will accept any contribution from one dollar upwards. The entire sum needed will be about \$400 as a license, spare tire, chains and other equipment for the machine will be necessary. The new model roadster will only cost \$325, allowing \$75 extra for freight and equipment.

Victims in Note Writing Mystery!



We'll get you tonight
I'm not through with you yet, I'll get your pretty face next time.

AT LEFT, MRS. IRMA LITTLE; AT RIGHT, MRS. FLORENCE ANDERSON, VICTIMS OF ATTACKS BY THE MYSTERIOUS NOTE WRITERS. AND COPIES OF NOTES THEY RECEIVED.

Republicans Open Fight With Many Technical Advantages

Are Certain to Control Legislature and Congressional Delegation.

(Special Dispatch to West Virginian)
CARLESTON, W. Va., Aug. 21.—West Virginia Republicans go into the 1916 campaign with ten of the fifteen state senatorial holdovers. That is quite an advantage. In the Tenth and Fifteenth districts the Democrats are sure to gain two more members of the upper house. The Republicans have such wide margins to go on that they will probably elect a senator from each of the following districts: First, Fourth, Sixth, Twelfth and Fourteenth. They have a chance also to win in any or all of the following districts: Second, Third, Fifth, Seventh and Eighth. Democracy has a chance to win in the Ninth, Eleventh and Thirteenth districts, the breaks being even as between the major parties.

West Virginia is normally Republican by at least 30,000. Majorities have been cut down considerably through past internal differences with which the party has had to contend, but now, according to the wisecracks and the students of the peculiar brand of politics indigenous to West Virginia, there is little to fear from any inside disarrangements.

It is an uphill fight for the Democrats to win under any circumstances in the state by their own endeavor. Their whole hope rests in disunion within the ranks of the opposition, and that is a condition, with which the Republicans say they will not contend this fall, although it is a fact that there are some who have voted the Republican ticket in recent years who declare they are not with the ticket.

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Candidate Hughes Reaches San Diego

(By Associated Press)
SAN DIEGO, Aug. 21.—Charles E. Hughes, Republican nominee for president and his party arrived here early today for a stay of 10 hours. Following breakfast in his private car Mr. Hughes was taken in charge by a reception committee and given a trip to Point Loma and several other nearby points of interest after which he was met by C. A. Davidson, president of the Panama-California International exposition and escorted by a large parade to the exposition grounds.

At the exposition grounds Mr. Hughes and his party inspected the exhibits. This afternoon at 2:30 Mr. Hughes makes his only address of the day at the Organ Pavilion in the exposition ground. The departure for Los Angeles is set for 8:30 this afternoon.

ENTIRE CITY IS PUT IN FEAR BY WRITTEN THREATS

We'll Get You Tonight Is the Terse Warning Two Women Get.

(Special Dispatch to West Virginian)
EAST LIVERPOOL, O., Aug. 21.—Residents of East Liverpool are keeping their doors locked even when they are inside their own homes as a result of the mysterious sending of threats and attacks on two women.

Strangers in the city and loungers are looked upon with suspicion, especially by women, each of whom fears she may be the next victim of the mysterious person or persons sending letters threatening violence.

A terse warning, scribbled on a scrap of paper and unsigned, is the herald of the person who has terrified the city—a person so far unknown to the police.

"We'll get you tonight," read a note received by Mrs. Irma Little. Not long afterward a man knocked at the door of her apartment and threw a phial of acid at Mrs. Little when she opened the door. She shielded her face, but her arms were burned.

"We'll get you tonight," read a note thrust into the home of Mrs. Florence Anderson. An hour later Mrs. Anderson was attacked by a man in the basement of her home.

Previously Mrs. Anderson had received a threat and a police guard was placed about her house. When nothing happened the guard was withdrawn. The same day the second note was received and the attack occurred. Mrs. Little has received three notes since the attempt to throw acid into her face. The first read: "I'll get your pretty face next time." The second read: "I'll get you yet," and the third: "You will not smile with your eyes much longer."

On account of the difference in the methods of attack on the two women and the mention of "we" in the notes, the police believe more than one man is terrorizing the women of the city.

The police are following every clue and guarding the home of Mrs. Anderson. The home of Mrs. Little will be guarded also when she returns from Atlantic City, where she fled after receiving the last note.

Mrs. Little is wife of the owner of a large office building; Mrs. Anderson is the wife of the secretary of a clothing firm.

Mrs. Little's father, Charles Sayers, a contractor, says he believes the attack on his daughters was meant to wreck vengeance on him, but he is unable to assign any reason for such vengeance.

Sayers has offered a reward of \$500 for capture of his daughter's assailant.

Three Killed When Auto Leaves Bridge

(By Associated Press)
OWINGSVILLE, Ky., Aug. 21.—Three persons were killed and three others badly hurt when an automobile in which they were riding ran off a bridge which spanned a small creek here today, turning over and landing on the rocky bottom. The dead are William Ruggles, John Pennington and Miss Laura Rainey, all of this city. Those hurt were removed to their homes.

Five Were Killed When Bailer Let Go

(By Associated Press)
JACKSON, Tenn., Aug. 21.—Five or more people were killed and as many more injured by the explosion of a boiler at the plant of the Harlan Morris Manufacturing company here this morning. Several persons missing are believed to be in the ruins of the factory.

HEADS OF RAILROAD SYSTEMS WORTH TEN BILLIONS NOW IN WASHINGTON

Presidents of Western Roads Arrived in National Capital Yesterday and Today Began Studying the Situation.

WILL VISIT WHITE HOUSE IN A BODY

Brotherhood Representatives Receive Telegrams Approving Their Stand—They Call on Congressmen to Explain Their Case.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—President Wilson toward noon sent word to the railroad presidents who are now here, asking them to call on him at the White House at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon.

They agreed to confer with the President, but it was said they would make no statement unless he requested it. The railroad presidents and their committee of managers worked steadily to devise some means of averting the threatened strike, which would in the main accept President Wilson's plan, but at the same time preserve the principle of arbitration.

They declared they were united against the President's plan as it stands and hoped to agree on some form of counter proposal.

The men's meeting decided that the brotherhood members should call on senators and representatives from their own states and acquaint them with details of the men's side of the situation.

President Carter of the engineers was the only official who attended the session.

Some of the incoming railroad presidents were more optimistic about the situation than those already here. One of the western men declared that if his road alone were involved he unquestionably would resist the demands of the men to the last, but he considered the question a national one and for that reason was sure some common ground would be found upon which to base a settlement.

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—With arrival here today of Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern and other western railroad executives in response to President Wilson's summons, important developments in the threatened nation-wide railroad strike situation were looked for, although no further general White House conference was expected before tomorrow.

President Wilson, however, made no engagements for today and stood ready to continue negotiations with railroad executives at any time.

While railroad officials have tentatively refused to accept the settlement plan proposed by President Wilson that they grant an eight-hour day with pro rate pay for overtime and submit other issues to investigation by federal commission they are said to be considering a counter proposal. It is said to include arbitration for

some of the points in dispute with granting of others.

Louis W. Hill and E. C. Ripley, the veteran president of the Santa Fe Railroad, were among those to arrive. Neither had any statement to make.

The incoming executives conferred with those already here and with the Managers Committee to familiarize themselves with negotiations so far. All the western presidents are expected before tomorrow noon. By that time it is expected about 100 railroad heads representing properties valued at about \$10,000,000,000 will be assembled for the next conference with the President.

The brotherhood representative held a brief meeting in their hall today but transacted no business. A few telegrams approving their stand in the situation were read and adjournment was taken until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

WATERMELON FEAST ON A PLAYGROUND

Tomorrow East Side Children Will Be Taken to a Picnic.

A surprise was in store for the children of the East Side playgrounds this forenoon. A volley ball team comprising ten girls and Supervisor Sharadin played the boys' team, captained by Frank Kelley, in a five-game series, winning four of the five games. At the close of the contest a watermelon feast was given to the children of the playgrounds by Supervisor Sharadin. The youngsters, without a doubt, relished the treat for the way they put away with the juicy slices was a sight to behold.

Providing the weather is favorable tomorrow afternoon, a picnic and bathing party of East Side children accompanied by the instructors, Miss Parks and Supervisor Sharadin, is to be chaperoned to Buffalo creek on the 1 o'clock car. About 100 children have signified their intention to take the trip.

Announcement was made on Saturday of the on-coming Woman's club supper at the Episcopal Parish house on Thursday, August 31. Instead of the supper being given on that night it will be on the previous night, Wednesday, August 30. Extensive preparations are under way for this, an annual affair for a generous cause.

NURSE TO TALK TO RED CROSS.

Miss Miller, a Red Cross nurse from Little Rock, Ark., who has just returned from eight months of work at the front in France will address members of the local Red Cross Society and others interested persons at the County Club Wednesday morning at 10:30.

The Weather.

West Virginia—Fair and warmer tonight, Tuesday probably showers. LOCAL WEATHER READINGS. F. P. Hall, Observer. Temperature at 8 a. m. today 69. Yesterday's weather clear, temperature, maximum 97; minimum 66; precipitation none.

VILLA CHIEF SHEARS EARS FROM TWENTY

Then Orders That Many Prisoners to Be Shot.

(By Associated Press)
EL PASO, Aug. 21.—The story of a Villa chief with his own hand cutting off the ears of 20 prisoners who later were shot is told by a rescued prisoner in El Paso, copies of which arrived here today.

The chief who committed the atrocity was Baudelio Urdio commander during Villa's recent raid on Jimenez. Urdio captured a small body of de facto government soldiers according to the witness and called on them to join his band. Twenty failed to respond. Finding them stubborn he trimmed their ears and then ordered a captain to shoot them.

Seek Recruits For Second Regiment

Major Jackson Arnold, of Weston, and at present with the Second West Virginia Infantry, N. G. W. Va., arrived in the city at 11 o'clock this morning from Clarksburg.

He will station men at a booth at the Fair Ground during the Fair, the booth to be recruiting headquarters for the Second regiment. At the same time there will be a booth there for recruits for Company I of this city. The major will visit Grafton and Morgantown during the life of the recruiting office here and will endeavor to secure men for the Second regiment which is at present at camp at Kanawha City.

NOTICE.

Consumers of city water are notified that an impure condition in the water prevails at this time and boiling water for drinking purposes is recommended by the City Health department. The impurity will probably be corrected within a week.